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29th March 1989

Dear Mrs. MANNING

I was absolutely delighted to receive your letter this morning. Thank you indeed. It is very kind of you to furnish out so much information for me.

How wonderful that there are Hardy descendants still in Streetsville. I will indeed be very interested to hear from Mr. + Mrs. Keim, and I shall be extremely pleased to write to them.

Thank you for David Giblin's address. After May 1st I must write to him. There is no doubt one contact leads up to another, & a chapter opens as I have found with my Mother's side of the family. Really it is all so fascinating, and I am so grateful for the kindness shown to me in helping to trace members of the family.

I long to visit Streetsville again, & hope to later on. At present due to my Sister being in poor health (she really requires a by-pass operation, but has a weak heart) I would not be able to be away.

One of my treasures is a 19th century water colour painting of the house in Bridlington (North Yorkshire) in which my grandfather Hardy was born in 1831. I'll enquire as to whether a photo-copy (it is possible now to have colour copies) can be made. It is of course glazed.

helpful letter

Again - thank you so very much for your

Best wishes

Yours sincerely

Michael Hardy

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AIR MAIL

MRS. MARY MANNING,
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221, Queen Street South,
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Michael HARDY.

England

25th February, 1989

(England)

Dear Mrs. Manning,

Mr Gordon Bruce has kindly given me your name and address with regard to Streetsville local history.

A year ago last September when I passed through Hamilton I took the opportunity to ask The Library about my Uncle, Charles Hardy who had lived most of his life there. He died in 1935. The library was able to produce newspaper articles about him (He had been in business (Insurance), also, much to my surprise and delight, a record of my grandfather's brother, William Hardy, who migrated to Canada from Yorkshire, here in England, in 1857, stating he was buried in Streetsville.

The Hardy family tree is fairly extensive & I already know William Hardy's name & date of migration, also the names of his sons & daughters with dates & marriages. Uncle Charles, & Aunt Eleanor his wife who died in 1942 certainly knew all that side of the family, but that is so many years ago, and of course all the Aunts & uncles have long since gone, taking with them records & contacts.

You may well give that when we are young we do not bother much. Everything is left for the old folks. I know of several people in the same position. It is something

frequently mentioned in Newspapers, + books + on the wireless.
How silly it is said never to have kept in touch. You
may probably know many people with the same experience.

Through the great kindness (+ really how very kind)
some people one of several people I was able to meet
Mr. Bruce. He showed me the Cemetery nearby, made photo-copies
for me, + most kindly took me to the Cemetery, where I was
absolutely fascinated to see the Memorials of my ancestors.
I took photographs of them all, + greatly admire the main
one + could well see that it was beautifully designed by some
experienced in stone work. Mr. Bruce showed me your
Historical Society's survey of graves, in which again I was really
fascinated to see that William Hardy was a Mason. The
original Hardy family were weavers, one was a farmer, several
had businesses, Confectioners, Linen Drapers.

I must not bother you much, but I wonder + wonder
whether there might be still in Streetville any Hardy descendants?
Two of the grave, one of Hardy daughters - one married a Dr. Bowie,
one married a Mr. Alexander.

Also do you know if the
original Hardy house is still in Streetville? I was greatly
attracted to the most pleasing + attractive houses. I hope to
come again + have much time to explore.

I will look forward to your most kind reply for which I
enclose a reply, with very many thanks.

Yours Sincerely,
Michael Hardy

13 Thomas Street
Streetsville, Ontario
Canada L5M 1Y4
March 21, 1989

Mr. Michael Hardy

England

HARDY

Dear Mr. Hardy,

I always enjoy hearing from someone with a Streetsville connection, and was pleased to receive your recent letter. Thank you the Postage Coupon.

There are some Hardy descendants still living here - Mrs. Rosemary Keim and her husband - and I showed them your letter. They will be writing to you with details of the family history.

During the past two years I have had correspondence with David Gibson who became interested in the HUGILL family, formerly of Streetsville, and he went on to include the Hardy family.

Alforetta Hugill (1853-1943), married, 3 Oct 1877, William Robert Hardy (1852-1908).

Alforetta was a great granddaughter of Solomon Hugill who was b. 3 June 1780, Bransdale, Yorkshire, & d. 18 June 1867, Mitchell, Ontario - his wife Esther Wilkes b. 19 Aug 1777, ~~Radnsdale~~ ^{Farnsdale}, Yorkshire & d. 19 Oct 1862, Mitchell, Ontario.

Solomon's son John Hugill Sr. married Mary Swales, 9 April 1822 at Hemsley - their daughter Easter Hugill d. 30 March 1838 at 5 mo, 20 dy, buried in the Streetsville Pioneer Cemetery.

The Streetsville Hugills were carpenters, as was William Hardy. You may have come across the family in your Yorkshire research. They were Methodists here.

David Gibson wrote to me, March 1988, "I have quite a history of the Hardys, and am in touch with one, a lawyer, Margaret Hardy Sochter, of New York City, very active in law at 73."

Mr. Gibson's address, from May 1st, is:

Box 457, Port Carling, Ontario P0B 1J0

He spends the winter at: 136 Cypress Pt. Drive, Naples,
Florida 33942 U.S.A.

He sent me a photocopy of a picture, early 1900s, of the old Hugill/late Hardy house at 6215 Mississauga Road North, very near the village of Streetsville. The house is still standing, but altered.

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References to WILLIAM HARDY of Streetsville, contractor,
who erected buildings and bridges:

Ontario Directory 1871.- carpenter & mason

Directory of Peel County 1873-4.- builder on Queen Street

Brampton Conservator, 9 Feb 1877, Streetsville news.- opens
furniture store

Assessment Roll 1881.- cabinet maker, age 52, Queen & Elgin Streets
Dun, Wiman Mercantile Agency Reference Book 1887.- furniture
& undertaker.

His big roughcast factory is no longer standing.

JOHN PARKER HARDY. contractor, submitted tenders to the
Streetsville Village Council in 1878 & 1879, for bridges.
He was a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, a
lodge which merged with the Independent Order of Foresters.
Their records show:

John P. Hardy - ae 34 - Providence No. 85, Streetsville -
Typhoid fever - Joined 8 Aug 1881 - died 11 Feb 1885.

I trust that these items will be of interest to you, and
look forward to meeting you if you come to Streetsville
again. My home address is on this letter - Gordon Bruce
gave you the address of our Antique Shop on Queen Street,
but either is quite acceptable and the telephone rings at
both the house and shop (416)- 826-1754.

Yours sincerely

(Mrs. Hugh Manning)

Hardy

David Gibson,

- after May 1st

He started to research the Kugill family for their photography, but went on to include the Hardy family as well. He wrote to me in March 1988 and said "I have quite a history of the Hardy's, and am in touch with one, a lawyer, Margaret Hardy Lochter, of N.Y. city, very active in law at 73." : USA

~~John~~ The Kugills - John Kugill II ^{born} ~~was~~ ^{were} carpenters in the ^{in Stral} Canada Directory 1857
~~That~~ John Kugill I & wife Mary Snakes were in Stral ~~as~~ in the 1830s - Their dau. Ester is buried in the Pioneer Cemetery - d. 30 Mar 1838 at 5 mo, 20 dy

Brampton Conservator. 9 Feb 1877. - Stral News
William Hardy opens furniture store in West End

Hardy

[Graydon Papers] "William Hardy, a large contractor, erecting buildings and bridges, had a furniture factory that did an immense business. He was also an undertaker."

Note: His factory was at ~~about~~ on the east side of Green St., opposite the present location of the Stroud Public Library which is at 112 Green St. He was there in 1882 [Voters' List]

William Hardy signed a petition to the Village Council for a Quarterly Fair, 29 Nov. 1867. He was a juror for 1879

Furniture & Undertaker, 1887 [Sun. Wiman Mercantile Agency Reference Book containing the Ratings of the Merchants,

Manufacturers & Traders Generally throughout the Dominion of Canada]. His estimated pecuniary strength was \$2,000.00 to \$5,000.00 and his general credit "Fair"

In 1873-4, he was listed as a builder on Green St. [Directory of the County of Peel by John Lynch, 1874].

[Ontario Directory, 1871] William Hardy, carpenter, mason

[Assessment, 1881] William Hardy, cabinetmaker, ac 5-2
Green & Elgin, Lot 1; Green St., Lot 2

[Ancient Order of United Workmen, organized 1868, merged with Independent Order of Foresters 1926]

Assessments Nos. 243, 8th March 1885:-

#181 - John P. Hardy - ac 34 - Providence No. 85, Stroud - Typhoid Fever
Joined 8 Aug 1881 - Died 11 Feb 1883

Picture of Old Hardy house - 6215 Muesse Rd. - still standing but altered shows Wm. Hardy who built the house, Chas. Brown Hardy, Gladys & Ashton Sean (their mother was Mary Hardy)

This was the former Huggill home, descendants of Solomon Huggill who was b. 3 June 1780, Bransdale, Yorkshire, & d. 18 June 1867 in Mitchell, Ont. He m. Esther Wilkes who was b. 19 Aug 1777, Farnsdale, Yorkshire & d. 19 Oct 1862, Mitchell, Ont. Their granddaughter, Alferetta Zetella Huggill (1853-1943) m. 3 Oct 1877, Wm. Robert Hardy.

Notes from Graydon papers

HARDY

" Robert Innes made all sorts of crocks & flower pots in his pottery on Innes St. & in later years Hardy's furniture store was opposite with residence adjoining new kneux as the dairy building. Later Radio Parts factory (Innes St.) "

from Ambitious Days of Strathville's Past by Pat Reilly 1918

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Innes Jan 1879 : Wm. Hardy

Voters' list 1882: Wm. Hardy - 1 Queen & Elgin St.
F - Carpenter

Petition to Village Council for a Quarterly Fair. Nov 29. 1867.
William Hardy

Churchville cemetery - Hardy plots - also Stroul

Mrs. Marguerite Innes - Mill St.
Mrs. Keen

John P. Hardy - see Hodges, A. Q. W.

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HARDY

Stratonsville Cemetery: Sarah Ann Hardy 29 May 1854 - 8 Nov 1925
w/o Robert Alexander 7 Oct 1839 - 2 March 1894

Harriet Jennie Hardy d. 1 May 1930 in 66 N yr
w/o T. Innes Bowie MD. d. 7 Feb 1935 in 74 N yr

Maudie May d/o J. P. & M. Hardy d. 19 Aug 1893 ac 15-
Martha b/w John Parker Hardy d. 14 Aug 1878 ac 29 y 5 m 22 d.
Wm. Winfield s/o d. 26 Apr 1875 ac 5-
John Parker b/s/o Wm & Martha Hardy d. 11 Feb 1885 ac 33-
Charles Henry b/s/o Wm & Martha Hardy d. 23 Aug 1879 ac 17 y 4 m 19 d.
Martha Emma d/o d. 18 Nov 1885 ac 25-
William Hardy 8 Apr 1839 - 9 Sept 1906
his Martha Dawson 11 June 1838 - 18 Apr 1909
William Robert Hardy 16 July 1852 - 4 Nov 1908

At Jas. J. Paul 1877: William Hardy, Toronto Twp, Con 4 W, Lot 7 or 8.
House is between railway track and Alpha Mills Rd.